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Council Count Nearing End



Cr. Ross Bartley



Cr. Jo McNally



Cr. Marco Giori



Cr. Cynthia McDonald



Cr. Andrew Gale



Cr. Cameron Gow



Cr. Shery Windle



Stephen Tancred

Counting continues in the Southern Downs Regional Council election for the eight

Councillors who will serve our community. As at 12 noon on Tuesday 7th April

Official First Preference count was 84.61% counted. The top seven Councillors

appear to have been elected with the 8th giving Stephen Tancred a lead at this stage.

THE BLUE COW HOTEL

Denise and Jackie would like to wish everyone a happy and safe Easter. We miss our valued customers, whom, over the years, we have come to regard as family. Glyn tells us he is hanging out for a 'draughty' - aren't we all ?!

Takeaway alcohol is still available. Just give us a ring before you come.

These are trying times, but the resilience of this community will see us through - God Willing.

Love to all and keep well.



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Letters to the Editor...



Thank you to everyone, including our good friends just over the border in NSW, for raising with me their concerns over local border road closures.

Everywhere along the border in Southern Downs, from Killarney to Mungundi, people who have an acknowledged right to cross between the states, are forced to travel long distances just to visit the supermarket or the doctor. One farmer in the western end of my electorate advised my office that a local border crossing closure has resulted in a 200km round trip to move his farm machinery between his adjoining land on either side of the MacIntyre River border!

I also share in everyone's concerns regarding access to emergency services like ambulance and RFB when 6-ton concrete blocks close off our local roads. Whilst I am cautious not to "knock" the state government while it is dealing with the coronavirus pandemic, our communities are entitled to representation, and I can honestly say that there have been too many hasty and ill-informed decisions happening lately.

Particular examples include, but are not limited to:

- the announcement of the border closure on twitter without any accompanying details or plans and the physical sealing off of many important crossings;
- the decision to close all licenced firearms retailers and armourers (including those which also sell outdoor goods, spare parts, hardware etc) without any plan to fulfil the needs of legitimate firearms users (in a face-saving move the Queensland Government has partially reversed the bans but many legitimate users are still left out!); and
- the botched decision to close all waterways, including inland lakes, to boat traffic and fishing (although this decision has been partially overturned for coastal users, I am still fighting to get the same rights for users of our inland lakes!).

These bungles always hit the bush harder than the city.

The problem is that our Brisbane-centric state government (with not a single minister from a bush electorate) doesn't understand the bush, and more importantly, it doesn't ask us for advice or consult before making momentous decisions. When they think of "the border" they think of Coolangatta. When they think of firearms dealers, they imagine homicidal gun-nuts. And when they think of boating and fishing, they think of Moreton Bay.

Please rest assured that my staff and I are doing everything we possibly can to get the state government to fix the access problems that have been imposed on us. I appreciate that resources are not unlimited, and that our police are doing a great job with the resources that they have. I'm sure they didn't expect to become border guards when they joined! But I am calling on the Queensland state government to be fair dinkum, and to open border crossings like the one behind me to traffic, and to supply whatever personnel they need to check passes and uphold the law. Our safety and our communities still depend on this access.

James Lister MP,
Member for Southern Downs

New Mayor For SDRC

VIC PENNISI HAS BEEN DECLARED MAYOR OF THE SOUTHERN DOWNS REGIONAL COUNCIL.

At 12 noon Tuesday 7th April the votes counted were:-

Vic Pennisi	9,427	44.28%
Tracy Dobie	7,755	36.42%
Peter Kemp	3,059	14.37%
Joe Doepel	1,050	4.93%



Break-In At The Showgrounds

Over the weekend a number of buildings at the Allora Showgrounds were broken into and damage caused.

The matter has been put in the hands of The Police and Forensics are investigating.

Anyone who may have

information or noticed anyone acting suspiciously at the Showgrounds please contact the Allora Police Station.

A reminder that the Allora Showgrounds are closed to the Public and entry is NOT permitted.

Dear Editor,

I look forward to reading the "Looking Back" page of the Allora Advertiser each week. The article about the "Welcome Home" event for returned soldiers in April 1920 mentioned a soldier I have been researching, Private Frederick Tomlinson. I have not been able to find a photograph of this soldier through the usual historical sources such as The Queenslander newspaper and military papers, so I am hoping the descendants of his siblings may have a photograph. Fred was the youngest son of George and Emma Tomlinson of Clifton. Perhaps a group photograph was taken at this official event held in Allora in 1920.

Karen McKechnie

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SAT	Showers Early. Morning Clouds. Mild.	14	24
SUN	Scattered Clouds. Mild.	12	26
MON	Mostly Sunny. Mild.	13	24

Library Home Delivery to Allora

The Southern Downs Regional Council has commenced a home delivery service for library users.

Residents can reserve library resources which staff will deliver to their door during the week.

Making a reservation is easy. Items can be reserved via the online catalogue or by phone. Go to Council's website at www.sdrc.qld.gov.au and follow the links to the Libraries page.

At this stage Allora Library is having issues with its phone but Allora residents can call the Warwick Library on 4661 0342 between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday if they need to speak to staff.

The home delivery service is available to current members of Southern Downs Regional Libraries, and staff will confirm the delivery date and location details prior to drop off.

Due care will be taken to ensure that deliveries are packed in accordance with safe hygiene practices.

All loans will have a due date of 30 June 2020 or later, however the returns chutes at the libraries are open 24 hours a day should



residents wish to return items. At this time the home delivery service does not include returns.

Public access to the libraries has been closed since Thursday 19 March amid COVID-19 health concerns for customers and staff.

The Southern Downs Libraries also offer an incredible digital library of movies, eMagazines, eComics, eBooks, eLearning and so much more. You need to have a library card to access these services and members without cards can phone library staff to facilitate an over-the-phone sign-up for access to online services.

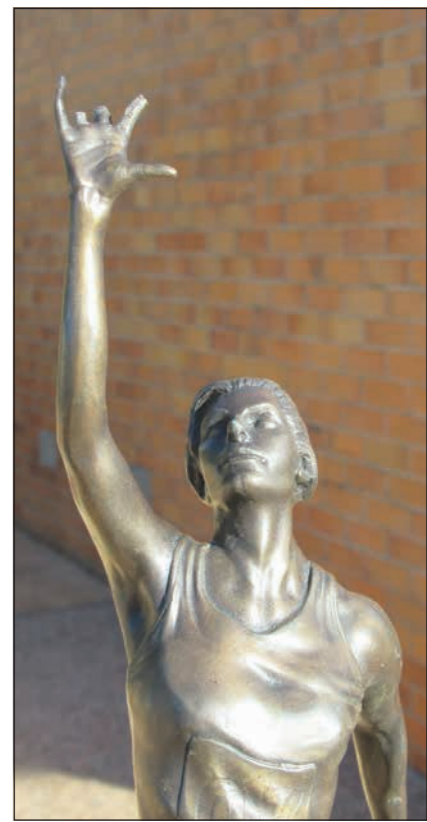
Council will continue to be guided by advice from the Queensland and Federal Governments with decisions regarding the operations of its facilities to keep the community safe.

What Low-Life Would Do This?

Laura Geitz's statuette has been badly defaced with the netball and the fingertip broken off. It would have taken some force to twist and remove, causing irreparable damage.

Perry Cronin, President of the Allora Sports Museum is distraught that someone has done this to Laura's Statue. "It's an attack on the wonderful achievements of Laura", said Perry.

It would be appreciated if the Ball could be returned and left in the garden at the Museum.



Laura's vandalised statuette with Netball and fingertips missing.

The matter has been reported to the Police.

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Outdoor Recreational Facilities Closed

Following the announcement of new public gathering rules by the Federal Government, SDRC has temporarily closed all outdoor playgrounds, gyms, skate parks and barbecues on the Southern Downs.

A limited number of public toilet facilities will remain open. In Allora - Apex Park, Muir Street and Dalrymple Creek toilets will be open to the public. In Warwick about half a dozen will stay open including Leslie Park, Victoria Park, Grafton Street and Rotary Park toilets.

Open space areas, parks and fields are still open and can be used for exercise, fresh air and enjoyment. Council is asking the community to practice social distancing and good personal hygiene at this



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time and wishes to remind residents of the following protocols:

- Do not visit a park if you are unwell.
- Observe social distancing rules and stay 1.5m apart.
- Do not hold gatherings of more than two people.
- Wash and/or sanitise hands.

Council will continue to be guided by advice from State and Federal Government with decisions regarding the operations of its facilities to keep the community safe.

Rhinoceros Iguana hatched at Darling Downs Zoo



Owners of the Darling Downs Zoo Steve & Stephanie Robinson were extremely happy to have their first successful hatching. "They are quite hard to breed and the Zoo has been trying for 5 years to breed ours.

There are not many of these Iguanas left in Australian zoos now. This year our reptile keeper, Fiona Jurd, got everything just right for them and so we had our first ever successful breeding", said Steve.

Rhinoceros Iguanas have been at the Zoo since 2013. They've kept them because the species fits in with the Zoos policy of keeping and trying to breed animals which are becoming scarce in the world or are dying out in Aussie zoos.

The Darling Downs Zoo is situated at Pilton and thanks to Steve for the pic of the cute Iguana.

Interesting facts about Rhinoceros Iguanas -

- Their name comes from the horn-like protrusion on the top of their head
- The female Rhinoceros Iguana can lay up to 20 eggs.
- They're native to Caribbean Islands of Hispaniola, Haiti and Dominican Republic.



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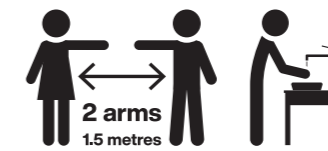
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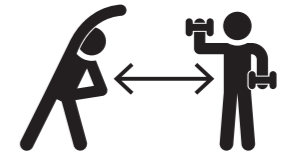
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Council Closes Dams To Recreational Activities

Southern Downs Regional Council has received advice from the Qld & Federal Governments to close Connolly and Storm King Dams to all water and land-based recreational activities, effective immediately.

To slow the spread of COVID-19 and restrict

physical contact, activities such as boating, fishing, swimming, kayaking, skiing, bike riding and walking are prohibited until further notice and Council officers will be patrolling the dams to ensure compliance.

All Council camping grounds have also been closed.

Allora community groups given a boost

Three groups in Allora will share almost \$90,000 worth of grant money after the latest round of Community Benefit Fund grants were announced recently.

- Allora Community Circle will be given \$32,470 to purchase a portable barbecue trailer
- Allora P-10 State School will be given \$22,391 to replace the school's hall chairs.
- As reported in the Allora Advertiser last week, the Allora Sports Club will be given the maximum grant amount of \$35,000 to paint the building's exterior and

upgrade flooring.

The grants are merit based and funding is allocated by an independent panel.

Organisations receiving funding can make an application to extend the acquittal date on a case by case basis. For more information visit: www.gamblingcommunityfund.qld.gov.au

You can also contact the team on 1800 633 619 or email cbf@justice.qld.gov.au

A full list of recipients is available at www.justice.qld.gov.au/grants

Easter Message

Two weeks have gone by since we were asked to close the church doors. Two weeks in which we have seen our world turned upside down. Closed shops. Loss of jobs. Health fears. Schools closed. Governments realising that people are more important than budgets.

I have received many wonderful phone calls of care and appreciation. The general question is: How am I going? to tell the truth, I feel like a bird caught in the church, flying about in circles hitting the windows, seeing a little light, me trying to get out.

Up into the choir loft I fly but there is nothing there; no music, no sounds. Down onto one of the pews, but there are no people. I wonder "will someone open the door?"

I fly up into one of the rafters and look back and see a little light glowing beside the altar. It glows to remind me of the Sacramental presence of Him, who is my God. It invites me to prayer; Prayer isn't about changing God but allowing God to be a part of my life journey.

As Noel Connolly so beautifully says 'We need to be humble and confident enough to let people love us. We need to trust in God when we are weak, because being weak is also a part of being human, part of the incarnation, part of being like Jesus.

We are not only like God when we are strong and loving others. It's a beautiful thing to love. It is perhaps, an even more gracious and beautiful thing to be loved. Then we are realising the lover in others.'

I now see an open book. It reminds me that Holy week is here. My thoughts go back to my youth. Holy Thursday, a candle lit on the kitchen table. A simple meal. We lived in the country; no going to Church services, we tried to do our own. Good Friday found us gathered around as a family and Dad would powerfully read for us the story of the trial. The crucifixion, and death of Christ. We probably said the rosary, remembering that Mary was there with her son. Sometimes as a Mother you can do nothing as you see your children suffer. Mary was just there.

This week I might get a couple of pieces of wood and make a cross to put in my garden. Like that little bird, I wait for the door to be open so once more we can fly in freedom, but then again, I remember that happiness isn't something that belongs to the future, it's just how I live and bring living to my life today.

God Bless,

Fr. Rod MacGinley,
St. Patrick's Parish, Allora



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How to access Council services online?



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As many people begin to take a proactive approach to personal hygiene and social distancing surrounding COVID-19, Southern Downs Regional Council wishes to remind residents that many of its services are available online and can be accessed from the comforts of home.

Council's website www.sdrdc.qld.gov.au offers the following services:

- pay rates, invoices, infringements, animals applications and plumbing applications
- submit customer service requests and complaints
- view property information (available to registered customer only)
- view planning applications submitted to Council
- access the latest Council news including minutes of the General Council Meetings and disaster alerts

Residents can also email Council at mail@sdrc.qld.gov.au with:

- general enquires

- complaints
- building applications – private certifiers
- various forms including dog registrations, change of address, food licenses
- remittance advices, rates payment agreements, direct debits and refunds
- water tank rebates, water testing and sampling

The My SDRC App is also a handy and free tool that allows users to:

- lodge customer requests
- track customer requests
- access the latest Council news and disaster alerts

Download it now from the App Store (apple devices) or Google Play (android devices). Council has also created a COVID-19 portal located on the front page of its website at www.sdrdc.qld.gov.au which provides a variety of useful links for residents.

Council wishes to encourage all residents to stay up-to-date at all times via its website and the MY SDRC App. Our online services are available all year round and our team is constantly working to provide further online options.

For all the latest Southern Downs Regional Council news, visit www.sdrdc.qld.gov.au or call 1300 697 372.



Lock Up Your Guns

Police across the South West and Darling Downs are urging owners of firearms to exercise vigilance after a spate of recent thefts.

Southern Regional Crime Coordinator, Detective Acting Superintendent Mat Kelly said it is the responsibility of all weapons licence holders to secure their firearms safely and in accordance with the Weapons Act.

"Unfortunately, criminals still continue to target rural properties to steal weapons for the black market," Detective Acting Superintendent Kelly said.

"We receive regular intelligence suggesting organised crime syndicates are coming into our rural communities to steal firearms."

Detective Acting Superintendent Kelly believes

complacency is the leading cause to why police have seen an increase in thefts.

"The recent increase in thefts have mainly been from firearms left unsecured in vehicles or storage sheds.

"We would like to remind licences firearm holders they have a responsibility under the Weapons Act to store weapons correctly, those who do not can expect prosecution," Detective Acting Superintendent Kelly said.

Police continue to conduct spot-checks across the South West and Darling Downs to ensure owners are compliant.

If you have information for police, contact Policelink on 131 444 or provide information using the online form (www.police.qld.gov.au/reporting) 24hrs per day.

No Ekka this year

Due to the worldwide coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the RNA has made the decision to cancel the 2020 Royal Queensland Show (Ekka) in the best interests of public health.

It is just the third time in the Ekka's 143-year history that the show has been cancelled. It was previously cancelled in 1919 due to the Spanish Flu epidemic and in 1942 when the grounds were used as a World War II staging depot.

RNA Chief Executive Brendan Christou said ensuring the health and safety of the Ekka community and the general public was paramount.

Mr Christou said it was also important to decide on the Ekka now as many

exhibitors and competitors spend months preparing for the show and getting entries ready plus the hundreds of volunteers who give so generously of their time each year, many of whom take annual leave.

"We are also very mindful of our farming families who rely on events like the Ekka that not just showcase and reward the best of the best, but also provide much needed respite and highlight the many challenges they face such as drought.

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At the time of his enlistment in Brisbane, Arthur was 27 years of age. His description read 5'7" in height, blue eyes, light brown hair and of fresh complexion. Arthur listed his mother as his next of kin. He was a shearer.

Arthur was assigned to the 7th Battalion Australian Commonwealth Horse, B Squadron with Regiment No. 190. This Queensland

unit was made up of 23 officers and 457 men. There were five from the Allora-Clifton district.

The commanding officer of the Commonwealth Horse contingent was Lieutenant-Colonel Henry George Chauvel. He came to Allora in 1899 as the enlisting officer for volunteers and commanded a company in the 1st Contingent. Lieutenant-Colonel Chauvel came back to Allora in 1904 to unveil the Boer War monument erected by the people of Allora and district to honour the men who fought and those who died in service.

The unit left Pinkenba, Brisbane on 19th May 1902 on the transport "Custodian". The ship arrived in Durban on 22nd June after peace had been declared. They returned to Australia aboard the transport "Manchester" arriving on 2nd



Arthur and Kitty Masters (nee Ranger)

August, 1902.

When he returned to Allora, Arthur and other local volunteers, were presented with an inscribed gold medal at a social and dance held at the Protestant Hall.

Arthur married Kittie Alfreda Ranger on 6th August 1906. They had two daughters, Thelma Octavia and Alfreda Prior.

Arthur and Alfreda's home "Emohruo" at Hendon was known for hosting social musical evenings. Arthur was a prominent member of the Hendon community, presiding at local social occasions.

At the end of WWI, Arthur was the chairman of the Hendon Honour Board Committee. He presided at the welcome home of

returning servicemen. Arthur and Kitty's daughter, Thelma married local returned WWI serviceman, Sydney Warfield.

In 1932, Arthur bought the Hendon Railway Hotel with public hall, out buildings and improvements from the estate of Mrs. S Neyland. The buildings were in a state of neglect. After initially having plans drawn up to meet the licensing and health requirements, Arthur sold the buildings for removal.

Arthur Masters died on 15th December 1940.

Local servicemen honoured on the Allora Boer War Monument who served in the Commonwealth Contingent are F J Buxton, C H Clarke, F Leney, A Masters and R Wilson

OFFICE CLOSURE

For the safety of our staff and customers, it has been decided that the office of

The Allora Advertiser

will be **CLOSED** to the public from **Thursday 2nd April**.

This will remain the case until such times as the current COVID-19 crisis is deemed to be over.

We wish to continue assisting our valued readers and customers and would encourage you to contact us via telephone on **4666 3089** or email editor@alloraadvertiser.com

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

We encourage all to adhere to the rules being laid down by the national cabinet and wish you the best of health.

Looking Back...

Allora's Past 25 years ago April 1995

TAB to Remain Open

The Allora TAB sub-agency which had operated in the Royal Hotel building since 1986, and had been marked for closure, will remain open. Allora punters had been asked to open a Telebet account with the Warwick or Clifton agencies but due to public pressure, negotiations were started with the Allora licensee, Denise Dagleish, to set up a PubTAB facility in the Royal Hotel. The PubTAB will be part of the bar service and provide convenience benefits to customers and the opportunity for extended opening hours.

Allora's Past 50 years ago April 1970

Welcome Home

A Welcome Home will be tendered Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shannon in the R.S.L. Hall on Tuesday, 14th April. Ladies please provide.

Allora's Past 75 years ago April 1945

Invitation to Sailors

Mrs. A. Leggatt presided over the monthly meeting of the Australian Comforts Fund. It was decided to invite members of the British Navy to spend portion of their leave in Allora. Members present offered their hospitality should the invitations be accepted.



Royal Navy sailors with members of the Gouldson family on the Gouldson farm at Goomburra in the 1940's.

Allora's Past 100 years ago April 1920

Robbery at Police Station

A man who gave his name as Archie Noble was apprehended in Allora after committing the audacious crime of robbery at the Warwick Police Station. Noble had received Government rations after completing a fortnight's detention in the Warwick lockup for a minor crime. On release he entered the stables at the rear of the police station and stole a saddle which he promptly sold. The saddle was soon missed and Noble was traced to Allora where he had already been arrested and sentenced to two months imprisonment on charges of use of bad language and wilful damage. Noble was further

charged with the theft of the saddle and sentenced to three months imprisonment in the Brisbane Gaol.

Allora's Past 150 years ago April 1870

Flour Mill

The Allora Municipal Council have decided not to erect a flour mill, so I suppose their money will soon be sunk into what are called "municipal improvements". They will never again find themselves with such a good credit balance. A meeting is to be held on Saturday evening in order to form a Steam Flour Mill Company by the issue of £5 shares and the affair promises well.

(Darling Downs Gazette 20th April 1870).

Colin Newport

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Solution in classifieds section

BAD JOKE OF THE WEEK

A man accompanied by a small boy entered a barber's shop and asked for a haircut.

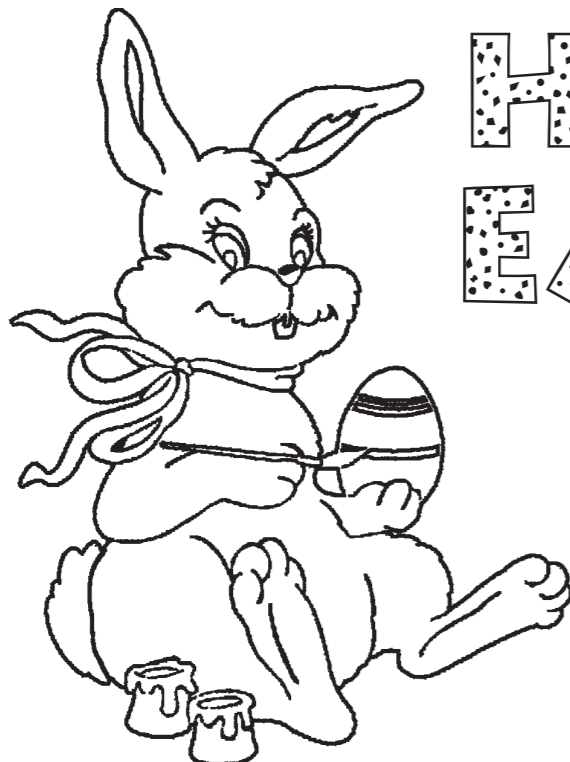
When the barber had finished, the man said "do the lad, will you" I'll just nip down to the pub for a quick beer".

The barber gave the boy a haircut, then waited for the man to return.

After about an hour, he turned to the boy - "your Dad's taking a long time, isn't he?".

"Oh, he's not my dad - he's just a man who stopped me in the street and asked if I'd like a free haircut."

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SCIENCE TRIVIA QUIZ

- Which of the fundamental forces is the strongest? Is it a) the strong force, b) the weak force, c) electromagnetism, or d) gravity?
- Which of the following is a strong acid? Is it a) hydrochloric acid, b) citric acid, c) carbonic acid, or d) deoxyribonucleic acid?
- Which shape – found in bridges, cranes and power pylons – is the most rigid and resistant to bending? Is it a) the triangle, b) the square, c) the hexagon, or d) the octagon?
- When a spider uses its silk to fly, what is it called? Is it a) Tarzanning, b) ballooning, c) jetting, or d) flapping?
- There's a famous scale that rates different rocks. Diamond gets the highest rating at 10, and talc only gets a 1. What scale is it? Is it a) the modified Mercalli scale, b) the USDA soil taxonomy, c) Mohs scale of hardness, or d) the pentatonic scale?

Answers in Classifieds pages

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TODAY'S QUOTE

"Why is it, that no matter how busy we are, we always find time to worry?" - P. K. Shaw



Swimming Club Championships



Six swimmers broke 16 Club Records at this years Championships. Congratulations to Claire Eckersley, Elynn Moore, Anna Eckersley, Will Day, Emma Day and Bailey Harm.



Ziggy Gibson received the Keith and Margaret Rackley Encouragement Award from Club Patron Marg Rackley at the presentation day.



Under 10 Boys Riley Burton, Tom Peters, Benjamin Mason and Dalton Bussutil enjoy Club Presentation day.

The Allora Swimming Club wrapped up a fabulous season of swimming with their annual Club Championships held on Sunday 15th March. With over 30 swimmers from the club eligible to compete, there were some very competitive age groups. Club Life Members and spectators were treated to some great racing, the quality of which led to 16 record breaking swims!

Congratulations to the following swimmers on breaking some longstanding club records:

Emma Day – Open 200 IM; Open 200 Back

Anna Eckersley – Open 200 Back; Open 200 Free

William Day – Boys 10/11 100 Breast (tied event)

Elynn Moore – Girls 10/11 100 Breast; 100 Back

Claire Eckersley – Girls 12/13 100 Fly; 200 Back; 200 Breast

Bailey Harm – Boys 10/11 100 Free; 50 Free; 50 Fly; 50 Breast; 50 Back; 100 Breast; 200 IM

After a great day of racing, Age Champions and Runner Up Age Champions for the 2020 season were awarded to the following swimmers:

Under 8 Participants - Maeve Moore, Katelyn Peters and James Mason

Under 10 (Age Champion, Runner Up) - Tom Peters, Benjamin Mason; Rikaya Kelk, Ruby Paterson

Under 12 - (Age Champion, Runner Up) - Bailey Harm, Will Day; Chloe Harm, Elynn Moore

Under 14 - (Age Champion, Runner Up) - Cooper Harm, Nicholas Denny; Claire Eckersley, Aamilyn Johnson

Open - (Age Champion, Runner Up) - Paul Costello; Anna Eckersley, Emma Day

Our club encourages active participation by all our members and so we award those children with 100 percent Attendance at Swim Club nights throughout the season. This year, perfect attendance was achieved by Will Day, Paul Costello, Sophie Day and Ziggy Gibson.

The swimmers achieving the highest number of personal

best times at club nights over the season are awarded the Personal Best Trophies. This year we recognised James Mason, Tom Peters, Ziggy Gibson, Nicholas Denny and Emma Day.

The club would like to especially acknowledge those swimmers who received Club awards for the season including:

Club Encouragement Awards - Meiraleyka Johnson, Benjamin Mason and Dalton Busutil

David Rackley Memorial Swim Winner - Elynn Moore

Geoff & Heather Slatter Club Encouragement Award - Emma Day

Margaret & Keith Rackley Club Encouragement Award - Ziggy Gibson.

The Ellwood Family Shield for Dedication, Consistency and Sportsmanship - Bailey Harm

The Allora Swimming Club had 21 Regional Representative swimmers who competed at the Regional or Country Championships and each received a named towel in appreciation for their efforts in representing our club. We also had nine swimmers with state qualifying times, the

largest number in many years to fly our Allora Swimming Club flag at the State Championships in Brisbane.

The Allora Swimming Club has no doubt finished off one of our best seasons yet. If this is measured by club comradery, club participation, club representation on a regional and state level and parent involvement, we can reflect on the achievements of our season and the growth of our swimmers. This growth has been largely due to the leadership of club coach and Vice President Andrew Fidge. Andrew has an incredible talent to work with young swimmers to bring out the very best in them. He has successfully cultivated a ground up approach to having more kids in the water over the past two seasons and we are reaping the rewards of this as far as club numbers and club morale is measured. On the larger stage, Andrew coached our team to our first ever Regional Relay Win as well supporting our State Swimmers, bringing home 3 state championship gold medals to our club this season. We hope that with Andrews continued support

of Allora swimming that we foster a lifelong love of the water in our young swimmers.

I would like to thank and commend the Allora Swimming Club committee on their efforts this season and over the past two years. Thank you also to the swimming club parents for their sense of community and willingness to step in and help always. Our club sincerely appreciates the effort of Club Patron Marg Rackley whose support and encouragement by both her presence and her well wishes are greatly appreciated. Thank you also to the Club Life Members who remain engaged in the club, your presence and support is always valued. Our gratitude to the team at the Allora Advertiser for their willingness to share our swimming news this summer.

Well done Allora Swimming Team – you have had a wonderful season together!

Enjoy your 'off season' until we meet again in September for a new summer of swimming!

Donna-Maree

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Members of the Allora Sub Branch are saddened that the tradition of Anzac Day services in Allora cannot be followed this year.

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John Henry, President
Allora RSL Sub-Branch

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3. (a) Triangles are rigid because you can't bend the corners without stretching or squishing a side.

4. (b) Many spiders spin out one or more threads of silk, and float away on wind and static electricity in a technique known as ballooning.

5. (c) Mohs scale of hardness rates all rocks based on which ones can scratch others, with diamond being the hardest.

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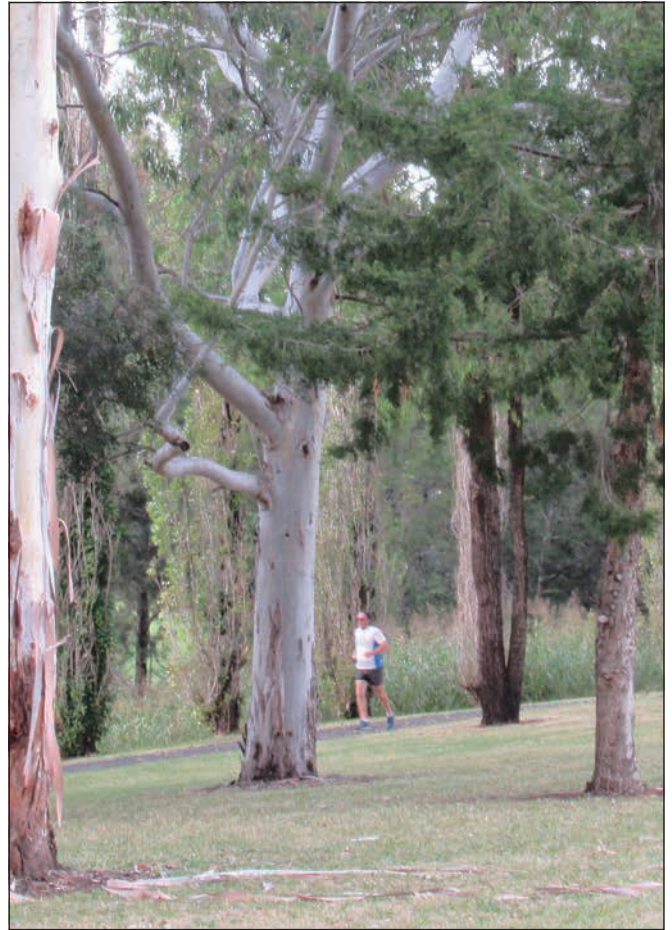
In the continuing saga of is it or isn't it open, Allora Sports Club Secretary John Ellwood has advised that the Allora Golf Course is again open for play. Strict conditions will apply however, including maximum of two players in a group, one person per golf cart, no touching the flag stick and marking your own scorecard. Competition golf will re-commence this Friday with the Percy's Fruit Duck Run, followed by the Railway Hotel Monthly Mug on Sunday. Competition golfers can play anytime from 9 am on both Friday and Sunday. If you would like to play earlier, give Wendy a call on 0437 342 870 to arrange to collect your scorecard before you hit-off.

In view of the current restrictions on playing in parks and playgrounds, the Sports Club Committee invites any Allora kids who would like to play golf during the "lock-down" that they can do so free of charge. They will need to observe the social distancing protocols and respect the golf course. Parents can give John a call on 0427 425 256 to arrange a time for their kids to play.



Lets finish with a "dad" joke. Question: Why did the golfer have an extra pair of socks? Answer: In case he got a hole-in-one.


Good golfing to you all.



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